



## DONLEY COUNTY 4-H FAMILY NEWSLETTER JUNE 2015

# GOOD LUCK @ STATE ROUND-UP!

Beef Quiz Bowl Team!  
June 8-11 in College Station

### 2015 District 1 4-H Leader Retreat

The 2015 Panhandle District 1 4-H Leader Retreat will be held on June 16<sup>th</sup> at High Plains Retreat Center in Amarillo. Activities will include the 2015-16 District 1 Officer Elections, educational and recreational activities, a dance, leadership initiatives, and leadership development sessions. All 4-H members are encouraged to attend. The cost is \$34 per member and this covers all expenses including 2 meals, snacks, swimming, insurance, recreational facilities, games, projects and program expenses. A camp T-shirt is available for \$10. If you wish to spend the night, the lodging fee is \$17. The deadline to register is Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. Please call the office for more info or to sign up.



## Steer Validation June 25<sup>th</sup>

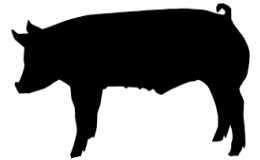


State and County steer validation will be held on June 25, 2015 from 4-6 PM at the Clarendon Vet Clinic. Exhibitors & parents who plan to exhibit steer projects at the county or major shows in 2015-16 must be present with steers to be validated on this date. The cost of validation tags will be \$12.00 per head. If there is a schedule conflict with this date you must contact Leonard Haynes prior to the date and make arrangements.

Steers will NOT be validated after June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and will not be eligible to participate in any show!!

## Tri-State & State Fair of TEXAS Swine Validation

Swine validation for Tri-State Fair in Amarillo and State Fair of Texas in Dallas will start June 25<sup>th</sup>. The swine validation committee will travel to each family's swine facilities to validate. Please let Leonard know if you have a swine project by July 19<sup>th</sup>. For more information or any questions contact Leonard Haynes at 806-874-2141 or 806-282-7680.



## NEW RULE CHANGE FOR GOAT EXHIBITORS!

The Donley County Livestock Show Board met recently and decided that ***all goats must be cosmetically de-horned to be eligible to show in the county show.*** This decision was based on safety concerns and normal practices already implemented at the major shows. It is a common goat producer practice. Exhibitors are encouraged to purchase from breeders that utilize these practices. Typically, breeders remove horns at 6-8 weeks of age to minimize risk of death. Once the goat reaches a certain age it requires surgical removal and is very stressful to the animal. If you purchase a goat from a breeder that does not utilize this practice, have horns removed as soon as possible...Leonard WILL NOT remove them for you! If you have any questions please feel free to contact Leonard.



# **POWER Camp**

**When:** June 26-29

**Where:** Aspendale Mountain Retreat Center, Cloudcroft, NM

**Objectives:** \*Adopt and apply the latest practices and research findings to everyday living.  
\*Develop self-confidence through leadership. \*Strengthen local 4-H units by becoming involved in leadership responsibilities & encouraging others to do so. \*Develop positive character traits, sportsmanship, decision making capability, and public speaking skills through participation in 4-H activities. \*Workshop sessions will be on Wiring, Safety (everyone makes an extension cord), Renewable Resources and Energy Efficiency.

**Cost:** \$175

Deadline is June 19<sup>th</sup>. If interested please contact the office.

## **RECORD BOOK INFORMATION**



**July 2<sup>nd</sup> - Due to County Office by NOON!**

**July 9<sup>th</sup> - Record Book Judging at District Office in Amarillo.**

**4-H members that would like to submit a 4-H record book and need help, please feel free to contact Leonard to schedule a time to sit down & review the construction process of a record book. DO NOT WAIT... THIS TAKES TIME!! Required form can be found at:**

**<http://d14-h.tamu.edu/events/record-keeping-and-record-books/>**

**There will not be an online process this year to fill out.**



## **Mower Raffle**

The Donley County 4-H and FFA from Clarendon and Hedley will sell raffle tickets again this year for a **John Deere riding mower**. This fundraiser is to help fund the Donley County Activity Center. Drawing for the mower will be Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at the COEA Ranch Rodeo. We are encouraging each 4-H member to sell at least 5 books of tickets. Ticket pick up available at the office. The price is \$5 a ticket or a book of 5 for \$20.00. Pre-sold tickets will be due to office on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. You may keep selling after that but you must contact Leonard for more information!

### **Saint's Roost 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration**

**Once again the Saint's Roost 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration will be held on the Court House Square. Donley County 4-H will be hosting the Craft Fair & selling Cherry Limeades from 9-2. We will need all the help we can get! Sign up to work the booth by calling the office at 874-2141 or Leonard's cell at 806-282-7680. We also ask for all 4-H members to donate two 3 liter bottles of Sprite which can be brought to the office before the 2<sup>nd</sup>.**



### **Rodeo Grounds Clean-up**

**The Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment committee will once again be giving our 4-H Club \$500 to clean up the rodeo grounds each morning after the rodeo performances. The rodeo will be held July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday mornings and 1:00 p.m. on Sunday. This usually takes less than an hour so please call the office to sign up for the day(s) that you would be willing to help!**



### **4-H Club Officer Nominations 2015-2016**

Detach card, circle one(1) in each group, stamp and return by mail (Box 682) or bring to office by July 15<sup>th</sup>. Results of new club officers will be announced in August Newsletter.



CELEBRATE



AMERICA!



BLUE - RED - WHITE - FIREWORKS - FOOD - BBQ - PATRIOTIC - STARS - POP  
SPARKLE - JULY- INDEPENDENCE - BOOM

If you have any questions about camps, projects or activities or need information  
please call the EXTENSION OFFICE at 806-874-2141.

Leonard Haynes, CEA-AG/NR